

**REMARKS**

The applicants thank the Examiner for the indicated allowance of claims 1-3, 5, 8-10, 13, and 14. The Examiner rejected claims 15-23 and 25-27. Claims 15-23 and 25-27 have been cancelled. Thus, claims 1-3, 5, 8-10, 13 and 14 remain pending in the present application. No new matter has been added. In view of the above amendments and the following remarks, it is respectfully submitted that all of the presently pending claims are allowable.

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CONCLUSION

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In light of the foregoing, the Applicants respectfully submit that all of the pending claims are in condition for allowance. All issues raised by the Examiner have been addressed, an early and favorable action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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